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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PLOS, PFOR, JA
SUBJECT: LOS: TSUGARU STRAITS OVERFLIGHTS

1. ON NUMBER OF OCCASIONS SINCE HIS RETURN FROM WASHINGTON TAKEO IGUCHI, DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL, OFFICE FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE, REVIEWING HIS PARTICIPATION IN DISCUSSION OF TSUGARU STRAITS OVERFLIGHTS IN GENEVA AND WASHINGTON, HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN TO POLCOUNS ABOUT CONTINUING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN GOJ AND U.S. ON AUGUST 16, SEIKI NISHIHIRO, DIRECTOR, DEFENSE PLANNING DIVISION, JAPAN DEFENSE AGENCY, CALLED IN DEFATT TO GO OVER SAME GROUND, ADDING THAT JDA REPRESENTATIVE ON JAPAN LOS DELEGATION WOULD BE REQUESTING APPOINTMENTS WITH DOD IN EARLY SEPTEMBER TO REINFORCE JAPANESE POSITION AND EXCHANGE VIEWS DIRECTLY WITH U.S. MILITARY PERSONNEL CONCERNED. (SEPARATE DEFATT MESSAGE.) IGUCHI INDICATED TO US THAT NISHIHIRO'S DEMARCHE WAS UNDERTAKEN IN RESPONSE TO SUGGESTION IGUCHI HAD MADE TO JDA SOME WEEKS AGO THAT IT WOULD "HELP MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING" IF JDA APPROACHED U.S. MILITARY

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DIRECTLY.

2. WE HAVE RESPONDED IN ALL CONVERSATIONS ON SUBJECT THAT WHILE WE WERE PLEASED TO HAVE GOJ VIEWS, MATTER HAD BEST BE DISCUSSED DIRECTLY WITH OUR LOS DELEGATION. IGUCHI AND KUME LEAVE FOR NEW YORK TOMORROW, WHERE IGUCHI LOOKS FORWARD TO SATURDAY LUNCH WITH AMBASSADOR RICHARDSON. MANSFIELD

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